

NEWS and NOTES

NATIONAL • STATE • COUNTY

ALAMEDA

Dr. T. Eric Reynolds was elected president of the Alameda County Medical Association, Dr. Dorothy M. Allen vice-president and Dr. Lester B. Lawrence secretary-treasurer in the November balloting of that organization. In addition, seven delegates to the California Medical Association were elected: Dr. K. W. Benson, Dr. John Blum, Dr. James Graeser, Dr. Ernest Henderson, Dr. Arthur Huncutt, Dr. Paul Michael, and Dr. James Raphael.

CONTRA COSTA

A committee of four physicians for the Mt. Diablo Child Therapy Center, now being organized, was named recently by Dr. George Husser, president of the Contra Costa County Medical Society. Dr. M. C. Bolender, chairman of the committee, said, following his appointment: "The county medical society committee approves the development of the Mt. Diablo Child Therapy Center provided it is approved and licensed by the State of California, and the medical profession of the community will willingly and voluntarily staff such an institution."

Other members of the committee are Dr. Howard B. Flanders, Dr. Saul S. Steinberg and Dr. Douglas Toffelmire.

LOS ANGELES

Dr. William E. Costolow was elected president and a trustee of the Los Angeles County Medical Association for 1950, it was announced last month following the reading of the report of the election committee. Others elected were: vice-president (1950), Dr. J. Philip Sampson; secretary-treasurer and trustee (1950), Dr. R. O. Bullis; trustee (five-year term), Dr. Ben Frees; councilorship, District No. 1 (three-year term), Dr. J. M. de los Reyes, Dr. Paul D. Foster, Dr. J. Norman O'Neill and Dr. John Edward Short; councilorship, District No. 2 (three-year term), Dr. Edward C. Rosenow, Jr.; councilorship, District No. 4 (three-year term), Dr. John R. Paxton.

* * *

The second annual mid-winter radiological conference sponsored by the Los Angeles Radiological Society will be held February 25 and 26 (Saturday and Sunday) at the Los Angeles Biltmore Hotel. Physicians other than radiologists are invited to attend. Fee for the two-day session is \$15. In addition, there will be a charge of \$5 for those wishing to attend a banquet which is to be held Saturday night. Reservations for the meeting and the banquet should be sent, with check, to Moris Horwitz, M.D., 441 North Camden Drive, Beverly Hills, California. Hotel reservations may be made by applying directly to the convention manager of the Biltmore Hotel.

PLACER-NEVADA-SIERRA

Dr. Carl Angella of Roseville has been elected president of the Placer-Nevada-Sierra County Medical Society. He succeeds Dr. C. Conrad Briner of Auburn. Dr. G. D. Tipton was elected vice-president, and Dr. Vernon Padgett secretary-treasurer.

SAN DIEGO

Dr. Arthur A. Marlow was elected president-elect of the San Diego County Medical Society at the annual meeting in November. He will take office as president in January, 1951, succeeding Dr. Clarence E. Rees, 1949 president-elect who was installed as president at the beginning of this year. Dr. W. H. Geistweit was elected secretary and Dr. M. D. Redding treasurer, both to serve this year.

SAN FRANCISCO

Election of Dr. William L. Bender to the presidency of the San Francisco County Medical Society was announced following count of ballots in December. Dr. Grace M. Talbot was elected first vice-president, Dr. Emile Torre second vice-president, Dr. Allen T. Hinman, secretary-treasurer, and Dr. J. Marion Read librarian.

SAN MATEO

Wilber L. Krell, administrator of Mills Memorial Hospital, was installed as president of the Association of Hospitals at the recent annual meeting of that organization in Santa Barbara.

* * *

Appointment of a full-time executive secretary and the opening of an office to conduct the business of the society were announced last month by the San Mateo County Medical Society. The executive secretary is Robert L. Wood, Jr., and the office is in Mills Memorial Hospital, 95 South El Camino Real, San Mateo. The San Mateo organization, with 171 members, thus becomes the ninth of 40 county medical associations in the state to employ the services of an executive secretary. Others are Alameda, Los Angeles, Fresno, Kern, San Diego, Orange, San Francisco and Santa Clara.

SANTA CLARA

Dr. W. Elwyn Turner, health officer of Santa Clara County, was elected president of the California State Conference of Local Health Officers at a meeting last November. Dr. J. B. Askew, San Diego County health officer, was elected vice-president, and Dr. Elmer M. Bingham, health officer of the San Joaquin Local Health District, was elected secretary. These officials serve as the executive committee of the conference during their term of office.

SANTA CRUZ

Dr. Daniel Smith of Watsonville has been elected president of the Santa Cruz County Medical Society, succeeding Dr. Allen Pederson of Santa Cruz. Dr. J. C. Jacobson was elected first vice-president and Dr. J. A. Ludden, Jr., second vice-president. Dr. S. B. Randall was reelected secretary-treasurer. Dr. Randall and Dr. Luther Newhall were elected to the House of Delegates of the California Medical Association.

POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION NOTICES

College of Medical Evangelists, Graduate School of Medicine

Courses in Internal Medicine, Dermatology, Functional Diseases in General Practice, Urology, Neurology, Proctology, Cardiology, Ophthalmology and Varicose Veins will be offered in January and March of 1950.

Contact: H. M. Walton, M.D., Dean, Graduate School of Medicine, College of Medical Evangelists, 312 North Boyle Avenue, Los Angeles 33, California.

University of Southern California, Medical Extension Education

Course: Gastroenterology.

Date: January 17, 1950, twelve weeks, part-time.

Fee: \$50.00.

Place: Los Angeles County Hospital.

Course: Electrocardiography.

Date: January 20, 1950, twelve weeks, part-time.

Fee: \$50.00.

Place: San Diego, California.

Course: Endocrinology.

Date: January 23, 1950, twelve weeks, part-time.

Fee: \$50.00.

Place: Centinela Hospital, Inglewood.

Course: Clinical Electroencephalography.

Date: January, 1950, twelve weeks, part-time.

Fee: \$50.00.

Place: Los Angeles County Hospital.

Course: Survey Course for General Practitioners.

Date: March 13, 1950, through March 17, 1950, five days, full-time.

Fee: \$50.00.

Place: Los Angeles County Hospital.

Course: Electrodiagnosis and Electromyography.

Date: February 6, 1950, to February 18, 1950.

Two weeks, full-time.

Fee: \$100.00.

Place: Los Angeles County Hospital.

University of California, Medical Extension

Course: Applied Therapeutics.

Date: January 30 through February 1.

Course: Bone and Joint Surgery.

Date: January 30 through February 1.

Course: Special Problems in Pediatrics.

Date: February 6 through 10.

Course: Forensic Medicine.

Date: February 6 through 10.

Course: Internal Medicine and General Surgery.

Date: April 24 through 28.

Course: Psychiatry for the General Practitioner.

Date: April 24 through 28.

Contact: Stacy R. Mettier, M.D., Medical Extension, University of California Medical School, San Francisco 22, California. Fee schedule and printed program supplied on request.

GENERAL

The American Society for the Study of Sterility is offering an annual award of \$1,000, known as the Ortho Award, for an essay on the result of some clinical or laboratory research pertinent to the field of sterility. Competition is open to those who are in clinical practice as well as to individuals whose work is restricted to research in basic fields or full-time teaching positions. The prize essay will appear on the program of the annual meeting of the American Society for the Study of Sterility, which is to be held at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco on June 24 and 25, 1950.

Full particulars may be obtained from the secretary, Dr. Walter W. Williams, 20 Magnolia Terrace, Springfield, Massachusetts. Essays must be in his hands by April 1, 1950.

* * *

The annual meeting of the American College of Allergists will be held at the Hotel Jefferson, St. Louis, Mo., January 15-18, 1950.

* * *

Increases in fees for physicians who examine applicants for life insurance have been put into effect by seven life insurance companies in addition to those listed some time ago by the Bureau of Medical Economics Research, according to the *A.M.A. Secretary's Letter* dated November 11, 1949. The seven additional companies are Connecticut Mutual, Equitable Life Assurance, Fidelity Mutual, Manhattan Life, Home Life, Guardian, and New York Life.

As plans are being made for a cocktail party at El Cortez Hotel for members of the Section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat who attend the California Medical Association Annual Session in San Diego, April 30-May 3, officers of the section have asked that members arrange to stay at that hotel. Requests for room reservations at El Cortez may be had by addressing Elwood T. Bailey, general manager, Convention Bureau, Inc., 449 West Broadway, San Diego. Applicants should mention that they are members of the Section on Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat.

* * *

The Second Annual Scientific Assembly of the American Academy of General Practice will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, February 20 to 23, 1950. Official delegates from the California Chapter of the American Academy of General Practice will be Dr. L. C. Burwell, Los Angeles, and Dr. John G. Walsh, Sacramento. Dr. Walsh, as alternate, replaces the late William R. Harder, Los Gatos. Dr. Warren Austin, Santa Barbara, is an alternate delegate.

* * *

Advance registrations are being accepted from those who wish to attend the Fourth International Congress of Obstetrics and Gynecology to be held in New York May 11-14, according to announcement by Dr. Fred L. Adair, secretary of the National Federation of Obstetric-Gynecologic Societies. The registration fee is \$10, and registration may be arranged by writing to Dr. Adair at 161 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.

A regional postgraduate seminar, conducted by the California Medical Association Committee on Postgraduate Activities, was held December 10 at Redding. The 14 physicians who attended commended the meeting as practical and useful. The afternoon program was: Persistent Somatic Pain—Post Trauma Muscle Spasm and Trigger Points, by Charles O. Bechtol, M.D.; Surgical Aspects of Peripheral Vascular Diseases, by Dexter N. Richards, Jr., M.D.; High Points of Endocrinology, by Lloyd F. Hawkinson, M.D.; Dermatology in General Practice, by Raymond Allington, M.D. At the evening meeting, Antibiotics Since Streptomycin was discussed by Windsor Cutting, M.D.

A similar general program will be held for physicians in the central San Joaquin Valley counties at the Hughson Hotel in Modesto on Thursday, January 19. A heart symposium will be held in Merced on Friday, March 3.

The annual sale of Easter Seals to provide funds for rehabilitation of crippled children will be held March 9 to April 9, according to announcement of the California Society for Crippled Children.

* * *

A new insigne which physicians licensed to practice in California may attach to the license plates on their cars has been approved for use, according to recent announcement by the California Highway Patrol. It is to be used to provide exemption from provisions of the state speed law when a physician is answering an emergency call. Made in the form of a shield, the new streamlined metal insigne shows a gold caduceus on a blue background, with gold letters reading "California Licensed Physician."

